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FM AMCONSUL HONG KONG
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 463
INFO AMEMBASSY JIDDA
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
AMEMBASSY MUSCAT
USLO PEKING
AMEMBASSY TAIPEI
AMEMBASSY TOKYO

C O N F I D E N T I A L HONG KONG 6358

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, CH, MU
SUBJ: ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN PRC AND OMAN

1. A RELIABLE HONG KONG SOURCE INFORMED CONGENOFF MAY 18
THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OMAN AND THE PRC ARE PRESENTLY
SCHEDULED TO BE ANNOUNCED THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK
(MAY 23-25). THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM AN OMANI
OFFICIAL RECENTLY IN HONG KONG. THE SOURCE ADDED, HOWEVER,
THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN POSTPONED BEFORE DUE
PRIMARILY TO SAUDI PRESSURE AND MAY WELL BE POSTPONED
AGAIN. THE AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS WAS MADE
AFTER PROTRACTED DISCUSSIONS SINCE AT LEAST MID-1977
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN LONDON.

2. OF RELATED INTEREST IS THE INCREASE IN RECENT MONTHS OF
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FAVORABLE NCNA COVERAGE OF SAUDI ACTIVITIES WHICH
COULD PRESAGE AN EFFORT BY PEKING TO DEVELOP CONTACTS
WITH JIDDA BASED ON SHARED OPPOSITION TO SOVIET
INFLUENCE IN THE AREA.
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NOTE BY OC/T: MESSAGE DELAYED IN TRANSMISSION.

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